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CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT

Highway Patrol Division
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Overview

During July there was a 15.2% increase in the total number of crashes investigated. This increase was in the area of property damage crashes, 20 additional, with many being vehicle versus cow in the Winnemucca District on SR 140 where there were 13 animal related crashes. There was one additional injury crash and 2 fewer fatal crashes.

Crashes involving impaired driver increased substantially. Six of the ten crashes occurred in Central Command South which is unusual to have that many in the southern portion of the Command.

There were 3 additional crashes involving commercial vehicles as compared to June. Of the 26 crashes, 14, or 54% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. This percentage is down from previous months. Of the 26 crashes, 11 occurred on Interstate 80 while the remaining 15 occurred on secondary roadways.

There was a 3% increase in overall enforcement activity. This increase was in the area of speed enforcement. Unfortunately, there were declines in all other categories. However, Command personnel maintained the 4000 violation threshold.

Commercial operations personnel conducted 13% fewer inspections in July as compared to June. This led to corresponding declines in the number of citations issued for safety violations as well as the number of vehicles and drivers placed "out of service." Weight enforcement also declined.

With the declines in field operational activity led to declines in the support functions of the Communications Center and Front Office.

With the figures for July being completed, there are areas in which commanders need to look at to determine why significant declines occurred and address those issues.



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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	July-06		July-05	% Change		June-06	% Change
Total Crashes	144		130	10.8%		125	15.2%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	99		71	39.4%		79	25.3%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	41		50	-18.0%		40	2.5%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	4		9	-55.6%		6	-33.3%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	10		7	42.9%		3	233.3%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	5		14	-64.3%		10	-50.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	1		1	0.0%		2	-50.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	2		4	-50.0%		4	-50.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1		3	-66.7%		2	-50.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		3	-300.0%		2	-200.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	1		3	-66.7%		0	100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	26		23	13.0%		23	13.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	21		14	50.0%		15	40.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	4		8	-50.0%		7	-42.9%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		1	0.0%		1	0.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes	2.8%
Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes	6.9%
Percentage of persons killed <i>without</i> seatbelts to total persons killed Seat belts applicable	75.0%
Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes	18.1%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- ** Total crashes increased by 19 over June for a 15.2% increase. The majority of this increase was due to 13 animal (cow) related crashes in the Winnemucca District with most occurring on SR 140. There was one additional injury crash and 2 fewer fatal crashes.
- ** There were 5 persons killed in the 4 fatal crashes. 3 of the 4 persons killed were not wearing seat belts. One person was killed in a crash where a seat belt was not applicable.
- ** There was a marked increase in crashes involving impaired drivers, 7 additional crashes. Of the 10 crashes involving impaired drivers, 6 occurred in Central Command South. This high number is unusual for this area and is being addressed. The average BAC for impaired drivers involved in a crash was .176.
- ** There were 3 additional crashes involving a commercial vehicle as compared to June. Of the 26 crashes involving a commercial vehicle, the commercial vehicle driver was at fault in 54%. This percentage is down from previous months. Eleven of the 26 crashes occurred on I-80 while the remaining 15 were on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	July-06		July-05	% Change		June-06	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	10		7	42.9%		3	233.3%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	27		15	80.0%		35	-22.9%
Other Arrests	159		120	32.5%		180	-11.7%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	81		53	52.8%		94	-13.8%
Speed violations	2704		2576	5.0%		2361	14.5%
Hazardous moving violations	289		228	26.8%		313	-7.7%
Occupant restraint violations *	323		373	-13.4%		374	-13.6%
Total violations [above violations included]	4309		4050	6.4%		4189	2.9%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	43		49	-12.2%		46	-6.5%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	20		23	-13.0%		19	5.3%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	479		465	3.0%		553	-13.4%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	133		132	0.8%		187	-28.9%
Total safety violations -- repair order	876		794	10.3%		765	14.5%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	38		39	-2.6%		39	-2.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	26		20	30.0%		27	-3.7%
Total school buses inspected	0		63	-6300.0%		96	-9600.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0		18	-1800.0%		24	-2400.0%
Total trucks weighed	468		260	80.0%		785	-40.4%
Total overweight citations	10		14	-28.6%		19	-47.4%
Total dyed fuel inspections	458		451	1.6%		503	-8.9%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		2	-200.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- ** Overall enforcement activity increased by almost 3% when compared to June. The increase was in speed violations as all other categories had decreases.
- ** Arrests for impaired drivers prior to a crash declined by almost 23%. For total impaired drivers arrested in July as compared to June, there was only one less, but 10 were the result of a crash. The average BAC for impaired drivers arrested prior to a crash was .169.
- ** The number of inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers conducted by Commercial Operations personnel declined by over 13% when compared to June, with only 479 inspections conducted. Two commercial Troopers were in training for 2 weeks of the month. One Trooper conducted 83 inspections during July, which is commendable.

- ** With fewer commercial vehicles and drivers inspected, there were fewer vehicles and drivers placed “out of service.”
- ** The number of vehicles weighed declined drastically by over 40%. With the decline in the number of vehicles weighed came a corresponding decline in the number of overweight violations. During 205 hours of directed weight enforcement on secondary roadways only 49 vehicles were weighed.
- ** There were no dyed fuel violations discovered during the 458 dyed fuel inspections during July. Of the total 458 dyed fuel inspections, 173 were conducted on secondary roadways during 230 hours of directed enforcement.
- ** The number of Level 2 / 3 inspections conducted by Traffic Operations personnel declined by 1/3 in July as compared to June. Only 216 inspections were conducted and 28 drivers were placed “out of service” during these inspections.



Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]						
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#
July-06	216	125	300	28	181	0
July-05	326	152	532	28	270	1
% Change	-33.7%	-17.8%	-43.6%	0.0%	-33.0%	-100.0%

July-06	216	125	300	28	181	0
June-06	361	185	482	37	302	0
% Change	-40.2%	-32.4%	-37.8%	-24.3%	-40.1%	0.0%

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	July-06		July-05	% Change		June-06	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	84,256		88,237	-4.5%		94,459	-10.8%
CAD incidents	10,981		11,497	-4.5%		11,991	-8.4%
Telephone Calls	14,403		15,930	-9.6%		7,800*	84.7%
Call Box Incidents	51		73	-30.1%		14	264.3%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	148		125	18.4%		126	17.5%
Arrest Reports Processed	74		57	29.8%		118	-37.3%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	21		15	40.0%		20	5.0%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	218		399	-45.4%		412	-47.1%
Warrants Entered	223		164	36.0%		334	-33.2%
Warrants Cleared	352		146	141.1%		606	-41.9%
Warrants Validated	2770		2707	2.3%		2719	1.9%
Extradition / Transports	4		4	0.0%		11	-63.6%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	29		18	61.1%		30	-3.3%
New Items Submitted	70		38	84.2%		72	-2.8%
Items Disposed	37		173	-78.6%		36	2.8%

Contract Service overtime for July was 587 hours for 16 escorts totalling \$38,056.

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- ** The Communications Center experienced declines in the number of radio transmissions and CAD incidents generated. The number of telephone calls shows a large increase, but the 7800 calls for June does not include all phone calls due to malfunctioning equipment.
- ** The Front Office had an overall decline of reports processed of 8% as compared to June.
- ** The Court /Warrant Section had a decline in the number of warrants received which would led to a decline in the number of warrants entered. The number of warrants cleared also declined.
- ** The Evidence Vault received evidence from one less case in July as compared to June.

PERSONNEL

- ** During July Steven Weeks and Scott Swain were promoted to Lieutenants for Central Command. Congratulations to both.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- ** Five persons attended the Family Vehicle Safety Program for offenders.

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